(*d*) if so, whether it is not a fact that Amalgamated Electricity bills forms has not mentioned about the interest to be levied for the late bill payers ;

(*e*) whether the Government intends to direct the Board to refund the interest collected by it ?

SRI K. H. SRINIVAS (Minister of State for Information and Youth Services).—

(*a*) Interest on belated payment of Bills has to be collected for the period from January to December 1975.

(*b*) It was not collected earlier, because the erstwhile licensee staff was continued and they were not conversant with K.E.B. Rules.

(*c*) The bills only in respect of March, 1975 were issued during May, 1975 as the same could not be issued earlier on account of a court injunction.

(*d*) Yes, but it had been endorsed on the bills that supply would be governed by Karnataka Electricity Board Rules.

(*e*) No.

Street Lights provided in villages of Chelur Hobli, Bagepally Taluk.

393. SRI CHOWDA REDDY (Chintamani).—Will the Minister of State for Information and Youth Services be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of villages in Chelur hobli, Bagepalli taluk of Kolar District where the Electric Department has provided street lights (Villagewise information with names may be furnished)]

(*b*) the number of villages where street light. have not been provided (Names of the villages may please be furnished);

(*c*) the reasons for delay and the schemes through which the said facilities would be extended (details may be furnished);

(*d*) the names and number of villages in respect of which sanction has been accorded to that work (the date and number of G.O. may be furnished) ?

SRI K.H. SRINIVASA (Minister of State for Information and Youth Services.—

(*a*) 62.

Names are given in Annexure 'A' laid on the the Table of the House. **

(*b*) 28.

Names are given in Annexure 'B' laid on the Table of the House. **

(*c*) Villages are usually electrified under two programmes, *viz.*—

1. Villiage Electrification Programme financed by Karnataka Electricity Board.

2. Village Electrification Programme with loan assistance from R.E.C. Ltd. New Delhi

All the villages of Chelur hobli included in the above two programmes have alredy been electrified. The remaining villages will be electrified after taking up the villages elsewhere in the State which have been included in the approved Village Electrification Programme.

(*d*) Nil in Chelur Hobli.

Taking up a notice under Rule 312.

SRI C. M. ARMUGAM (KGF).—Sir, this is a matter which I would like to bring to the notice of the Government.

SRI K. H. RANGANATH.—May I request the hon. member to wait for sometime. I shall get the concerned Minister to be present in the House.

MR. SPEAKER.—Yes.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

SECRETARY.—I beg to lay on the Table of the House the following Bills as passed by the Legislative Council.—

(1) The Karnataka Stamp (Amendment) Bill, 1979.

(2) The Karnataka Preservation of Trees (Amendment) Bill. 1979

MR. SPEAKER.—The Bills are laid ***

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*** Bill appended as Annexures to this volume.